

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 28 and ending on page 12, line 37, and replace it with the following paragraph:

The PER.C6 produced rAdV stocks were screened for the presence of recombinant-competent adenovirus by performing PCR analysis with primers derived from the Ad5 ITR region (5'-GGGTGGAGTTGTGACGTG-3') (SEQ ID NO: 1) and the E1A encoding region (5'-TCGTGAAGGGTAGGTGGTTC-3') (SEQ ID NO: 2) as described by Noteborn and De Boer (1995) using a Perkin Elmer PCR apparatus. The presence of a 600-bp amplified fragment indicates that replication-competent (E1-region containing) adenovirus exists in the analysed analyzed virus stock (Pietersen et al., 1999).